### MORNING WORSHIP DAY OF PENTECOST

10:30 A.M.

GREETING THE GATHERED: The Love of Jesus Christ be with you! ALL: And also with you!

#### THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDEThe Prelude marks the beginning of worship.Please observe silence as the Prelude begins.

#### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ---Romans 8: 22-23

#### THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before You

and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are Yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God, and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask Your forgiveness and we also ask for Your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be, regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth. Amen.

#### THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION FOR OUR INDIVIDUAL SIN

#### THE DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ---Romans 5: 1 -2

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven. ALL: Thanks be to God! THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE LESSON: 1 John 5: 1-6

THE SERMON: "The Day of Pentecost"

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead . I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### THE CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*THE POSTLUDE

Today, May 23, 2021 | A Congregational Meeting will be held immediately following the worship service to elect elders for the Class of 2023. The Nominating Committee respectfully submits the following nominees: Elder Class of 2023 | Jennifer Huddleston, Benton Elliott, & Robert Goolsby.

#### PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Ali Rae Barkley, Clint & Alexis Stubbs & baby Hayes, David Quinn, Lane Hill Young, Frank Gay, Jodi Rush (MTS seminary), Adrienne Phillips (wife of Pastor Nick Phillips), Jamie Wall, Helen Beavers, \*Mary John Dill, Judy Hines Hopper, Lynn Daniel Mynatt, Tate Daniel, Leon Bailey, Maxine Tomlinson, Elliott Bailey, Danny Wilbanks, Calvin Austin, Ticer Brown, Bradley Childs, Anne Elliott, Leah & Miles Harrell.

#### Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Jean Ketchum, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman, Billie Pickens.

THE FIRST READING: Ephesians 1: 15-23

## **WELCOME & INVITATION**

This church welcomes you, no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide. If you are passing through, Godspeed; if you are looking for a home, stay here; if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

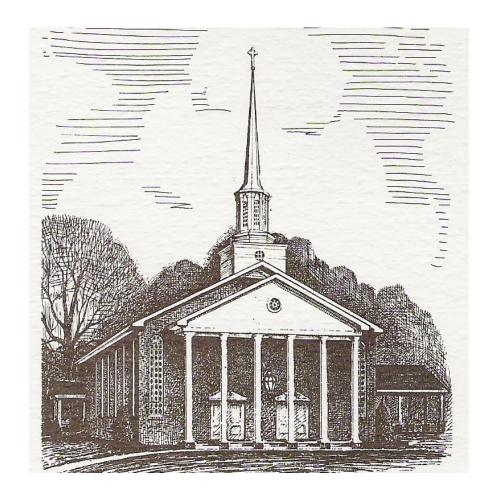
We are so glad you are here.

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:** The RPC Office is open Monday through Wednesday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, & Thursday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

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